(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether it is a fact that call girls rackets involving women from Russia and CIS countries in thriving in Delhi during the last one year; and

(d) if so, what action Government have taken to unearth this racket which is operating in Hotels at Paharganj and Karol Bagh, New Delhi ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) While the investigation made in the murder case referred to in the news item has *prima facie* revealed that the deceased were involved in flesh trade, the involvement of foreign nationals has not so far been established.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Arrest of Syed Ali Shah Geelani

122. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Jamaat-e-Islami leader Syed Ali Shah Geelani and his son-in-law were recently arrested;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that cash, documents indicating benami holdings, jewellery etc. have been found on Syed Geelani and if so, details thereof; and

(d) the other incriminating documents, if any, recovered as a result of the raid ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO) : (a) to (d) Yes Sir. Following a lead that Syed Ali Shah Geelani was acting as a conduit for financing terrorism in J&K, a Joint Team of concerned Agencies raided his premises on 09-6-2002, alongwith premises of others including his son-in-law.

During the search, a large amount of cash; documents relating to purchase of jewellery and immovable properties; vehicles purchased out of unaccounted money; computers; etc. were found from the premises of S.A.S. Geelani. Certain sensitive documents, having a bearing on the national security, etc. was

recovered from the premises of son-in-law of S.A.S. Geelani, namely Syed Iftikar Geelani. A case has been registered against Syed Ali Shah Geelani under the Prevention of Terrorism Act 2002 and the J&K Public Safety Act 1978. A case under the Official Secrets Act 1923 and Section 120-B of the Indian Penal Code has been registered against his son-in-law.

Foreign Nationals arrested by Delhi Police

123. SHRI ABANI ROY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a large number of foreign nationals who were overstaying without any valid visa have been arrested by the Delhi Police in the Capital recently;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have asked State Governments to identify the foreign nationals who are illegally overstaying;

(d) if so, the details of such persons in each State as on 30 June, 2002; and

(e) the steps taken to arrest such persons who are illegally overstaying in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) During the years 2001 and 2002 (upto 30th June, 2002), 66 foreign nationals were arrested by Delhi Police for over staying in the capital without extension of their visas.

(c) to (e) The Central Government have delegated powers under section 3 of the Foreigners Act to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations to detect and deport foreigners residing illegally in the country. Instructions have also been issued from time to time to intensify efforts for identification and deportation of foreigners residing in India illegally. As the delegated powers are being exercised by the State Governments concerned, no separate data regarding foreigners residing in the country after the expiry of their visas is centrally maintained.

Infiltration of Militants in J and K

124. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the newstime "Infiltration will continue : Pak" appearing in the 'Newstime' dated 13th June, 2002 has been brought to the Government's notice;